Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—No.

Mr. Y. V. MUNISWAMI IYER.—In that case, why should the proposal be not put into shape briskly?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—The difficulty is that the lands that will be submerged are very valuable, and contain extensive cocoanut gardens. The points for consideration are how much of such lands will be submerged, how much compensation will have to be granted therefor, what the return from the scheme will be and so on. These questions are now engaging attention in connection with the preliminary survey.

Mr. Y. V. MUNISWAMI IYER.—How long will it take to complete the survey?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—About two months.

Mr. B. L. BYANNA.—Are the Government inclined to take up the scheme?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—That question will arise if the results of the preliminary investigation are found to be satisfactory.

Mr. SIDDE GOWDA.—Have there been any protests against the construction of the dam now?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Yes.

Mr. SIDDE GOWDA.—Had not the fact that extensive cocoanut gardens would be submerged become patent to the Government even when the original survey was made?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—No complete survey was made in the past.

Mr. SIDDE GOWDA.—Without a regular survey how could the Government know the capacity of the reservoir and the extent of the lands to be irrigated under it?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—As I said, the survey was not pushed to completion.

Mr. SIDDE GOWDA.—What is the expenditure on the proposed dam according to the present estimate?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—Roughly Rs. 10 lakhs.

Mr. SIDDE GOWDA.—Is it not possible to let the raiyats know the rate of contribution which they would have to pay?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—That cannot be fixed before the estimated cost is definitely known.

Mr. SIDDE GOWDA.—Has the Department ascertained how much of the land to be submerged happens to be Government land.

Mr. PRESIDENT.—We shall have to ascertain all those particulars.

Defunct Tanneries in Chennapatna.

Q.—4. Mr. HAJI N. DOULAT KHAN SAHIB (Minorities).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of tanneries that were in existence in Chennapatna town;

(*b*) the number now existing;

(*c*) the number of those which were wound up and thus ceased to work;

(*d*) the number of persons that were working in the said shops?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatanaranappa).—

(*a*) Four.
(*b*) Nil.
(*c*) Four.
(*d*) About 500 to 600.

Mr. Y. V. MUNISWAMI IYER.—In view of the fact that a large number of people who were originally engaged in the tanning industry are now without employment, will the Government be pleased to do something to provide employment for them?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Government have been doing their best to revive tanning as a village industry in the Closepet Rural Reconstruction Centre, just as they have done at Doddasiddavvanahalli in the Chitaldrug District.

Mr. Y. V. MUNISWAMI IYER.—Have the Government been convinced that a large number of people will stand to benefit if that is done in Chennapatna also?

The DIRECTOR of INDUSTRIES and COMMERCE (Mr. M. S. Ramchendra Rao).—If any one comes forward to start the tanning industry at Chennapatna, Government will be glad to help them.